

INSIDE SANTA CLARA

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SUMMER 2012



Celebrating Our Diversity

Santa Clara is one of the most diverse cities in America. Since the early days of the City, people have come from all over the globe to make Santa Clara their home. This is the first in a series featuring the rich and varied heritage of Santa Clara's residents.

Portuguese heritage is strong in Santa Clara



Portuguese sailors began to explore the world in the 15th century and produced hundreds of adventurers who made major discoveries in the "new world," such as Juan Rodrigues Cabrillo who is credited with being the first European to explore the coast of California. Emigrants from Portugal carried on this tradition, including some from the Azores and Madeira

Islands who came to California in the 1800s in search of gold and other opportunities.

Because of its mild weather so similar to their homeland, Santa Clara became a popular destination for Portuguese immigrants. They often arrived on American whaling ships and established successful farms and dairies. By 1940, one-third of all the Portuguese in California were settled in Santa Clara County. In the 2010 Census, more than 3,000 Santa Clara residents listed Portuguese as their ancestry.

Portuguese residents quickly became active in the community, founding the Sociedade do Espirito Santo (S.E.S.) fraternal organization and hall on Lafayette Street that is still an active community center today. In 2011, the Hall was the site of the 8th annual Festival of Portuguese Bands of California with 500 musicians and hundreds more in the audience.

In 1972, Portuguese residents were instrumental in establishing Santa Clara's Sister City relationship with Coimbra, Portugal. Since that time, hundreds of American and Portuguese high school students have participated in exchange visits that broaden their understanding of the world. The Sister Cities Program also sponsors art and music exchange programs between the two cities.

To learn more about the Portuguese heritage of Santa Clara, visit the Santa Clara City Library to explore its collection of more than a dozen books about the history of Portuguese in this community and California.

Senior Center celebrates 40 years of operation

Santa Clara's innovative Senior Center, the largest facility of its kind in the Bay Area, is celebrating 40 years of operation in 2012. It was the first community facility in the region to focus exclusively on the social and recreation needs of older adults.

The City began to offer senior services in 1969 and it soon became clear there was a need for a separate facility to serve the needs and interests of the growing 50+ population segment of the community.

The original Santa Clara Senior Center opened on the site of the former Fremont Elementary School near the historic center of the City in 1972. Its 16,600 square feet of space was dominated by a large multipurpose room and sedentary activities such as cards, games, crafts and bingo.

Planning for the new Senior Center that tripled the size of the old building started in 2001 in response to community requests for additional services, especially more health and wellness programs. The master plan and design were completed in 2003 and the two-year construction started in 2005.

When it opened in 2007, the new, expanded Senior Center received praise for its health promoting 3,000-square-foot fitness area with 37 pieces of exercise equipment and a natatorium (indoor pool) featuring a lap pool, a warm water pool and a whirlpool. It was the first senior center in the Bay Area to have locker rooms and individual showers.

Other new features of the Senior Center were a 13-station computer lab, billiards and game room, and classrooms including an aerobics room and a dance theater room. The Senior Center also has a ceramics/painting studio, a wood shop, a lapidary room, and a coffee/snack bar in the two-story lobby that is equipped with comfortable chairs, a fireplace and game tables.

The concept of the new Senior Center allowed it to appeal to a much wider audience as evidenced by the center's activity reports. In March, 2005, for example, shortly before the old center was closed for reconstruction, the facility recorded 8,322 participants. In March, 2008,

All City Picnic on July 4th



Come celebrate
Independence Day at a
City of Santa Clara
traditional event – the All
City Picnic! The picnic
will be held in scenic
Central Park from 8 a.m.
to 5 p.m.

Start the morning out with an outdoor pancake breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m. Relax to live entertainment throughout the day at the Pavilion, including the

Sizzling Seniors and the Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Department dancers. Bring a picnic lunch or purchase foods prepared by local community groups. Families will enjoy the reasonably priced activities available: carnival games and face painting near the softball field, and swimming at the International Swim Center.

There will be a Flag Dedication Ceremony at 12 noon, followed by popular local band performances: The Cocktail Monkeys from 12:30-2 p.m., the Santa Clara Vanguard Cadets at 2 p.m. and The Groove Kings from 3-5 p.m. Enjoy delicious food and fun activities for all including Cosmo Jumps, carnival games, face painting, swimming, and more. Call 408-615-3140 for additional information.

Outlook for City budget looks brighter but RDA potential impacts are a serious concern

The proverbial light at the end of the tunnel appears to be getting a little brighter for the City of Santa Clara's budget situation, although there are still many miles to go before the City can fully emerge from the difficult days of the Great Recession. Serious concerns remain regarding the potential impacts on the City's General Fund of the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency by the State of California, which could be in the millions of dollars. Full impacts will not be known, perhaps for months.

The proposed City budget for Fiscal Year 2012-13 scheduled for public hearing on June 12 follows the Budget Principles. These principles have been adopted by the City Council and updated annually starting several years ago when revenues to the General Fund were hard hit by one of the worst economic climates in recent U.S. history, and emergency reserves were used over several years in order to balance the budget. Other major actions taken include keeping more than 100 positions vacant, and the implementation of unpaid furlough days (see related article on page 2).

A mid-year revenue report to the City Council at the end of March brought encouraging news about the three major sources of revenue to the General Fund – property tax, sales tax and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) charged to guests staying at local hotels and motels. Property tax, which had decreased for the previous two years, had leveled off and is expected to start to grow again in the upcoming fiscal year. Both sales tax and TOT were coming in above estimates and also expected to continue to rebound.

In March, staff projected that the City would end its fiscal year on June 30 with revenues about \$8.9 million above budget. Of this, \$6.1 million is in restricted development fees from the Stadium project. These one-time plan check fees and building permit fees can only be used for development review and any unspent amounts will be transferred at year-end to the Building Inspection Reserve in

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City furlough days help balance budget

City staff furlough days – closing down services a few days a year with reduction in pay – are helping the City of Santa Clara to balance its budget. Overall, 10 work days were selected in calendar year 2012 as furlough days. Furlough days this summer are June 15 and July 5.

After consulting with employee bargaining groups, the City carefully selected the furlough dates in order to minimize the impact on delivery of services to the community. Fire and Police Departments continue to provide public safety services 24/7. The community is advised to continue to call 9-1-1 for emergencies, 408-615-5580 for police non-emergencies, and 408-615-4900 for fire non-emergencies.

City staff members are available on an on-call status to provide emergency maintenance services such as responding to power outages, sewer main stoppages, water emergencies, etc. On furlough days, the community is advised to call 408-615-5640 for electric, water or sewer emergencies.

The closure of City offices and facilities for 12 work days in 2011 saved approximately \$5.3 million in the City's budgets.

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one year after the new center opened, the activity count had doubled to 16,941. The Fitness Center and swimming accounted for almost half of the participants.

"The interests of someone who is 55 and still working are often much different than individuals in their 80s or 90s," said Phil Orr, Recreation Supervisor. "It is important that our full complement of activities appeals to those who are high energy and physically active and still provide care and a safety net for those who are frail and potentially isolated. Aging is a transition that is different for every person, so we work hard to ensure that services are helpful for the full continuum."

These include the Health and Wellness wing at the Santa Clara Senior Center where older adults can find expert advice from health care professionals, social services, attorneys, tax and insurance counselors. "Knowing where to find accurate information from people that can be trusted is a much-appreciated benefit to seniors," Jessica Carter, Recreation Coordinator added.

Open Monday through Saturday, the Santa Clara Senior Center is also the site of special events throughout the year such as a Holiday Craft Faire, ice cream social, and holiday parties. One of the most extensive Senior Tour programs in the Bay Area provides an opportunity for older adults to visit destinations through day trips, overnights and longer journeys to spots outside of Northern California.

For older residents the Santa Clara Senior Center is also a source for free health screenings such as blood pressure checks by a nurse, free cell phones for emergency assistance, and free recreation. A case worker program at the Senior Center helps residents connect with transportation, housing, and other health and wellness services provided by other agencies and nonprofit organizations.

The Senior Center is located at 1303 Fremont St. and is open Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For more information on the Senior Center and its programs and services, visit **santaclaraca.gov** or call 408-615-3170.

Driver education classes in June, July

Two sessions of Driver Education will be offered this summer by the Parks & Recreation Department: June 11 - 14 and July 23 – 26, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

This life skill class covers numerous topics related to being a safe driver and pedestrian. The class does not include behind-the-wheel instruction. California State law requires that individuals under the age of 18 obtain a driver's instruction permit. Students who complete the class will receive a state completion certificate.

Registration can be completed online, or in person. For further information call the Santa Clara Teen Center at 408-615-3740 or visit **santaclaraca.gov/ActivitiesGuide**.

City Public Meeting Schedule

Board of Library Trustees*	. 1st Monday 6:30 pm
Citizens Advisory Committee	. 4th Monday 7 pm
City Council	. Two Tuesdays per month 7 pm
Civil Service Commission	. 2nd Monday 7 pm
Cultural Advisory Commission	. 1st Monday 7:30 pm
Historical & Landmarks Commission	. 1st Thursday 7 pm
International Exchange Commission	. 1st Tuesday 7 pm
Parks & Recreation Commission	. 3rd Tuesday 7 pm
Planning Commission	. One Wednesday per month 7 pm
Senior Advisory Commission**	. 4th Monday 10 am
Youth Commission (during the school year)***	. 2nd Tuesday 6 pm

Some commissions/committees meet monthly and others meet semi-monthly. Agendas for City Council, Board and Commission meetings are posted at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, the Central Park Library and Mission Library, and on the City website, at least 3 days before the listed meeting. Complete agenda packets with back-up reports for City Council meetings are available at either City Library beginning Saturday before the Tuesday meetings, or at the City Clerk's Office on weekdays. The City website also allows for the viewing of Council Agenda Reports online. Visit santaclaraca.gov and search for "City Meetings."

- * Meeting is at Central Park Library, 2635 Homestead Road
- ** Meeting is at the Senior Center, 1303 Fremont Street
- *** Meeting is at Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue

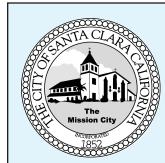
Online schedule: santaclaraca.gov

Dates and times may vary. Call 408-615-2220 for information.

City of Santa Clara Code of Ethics & Values

Ethical
Professional
Service-Oriented
Fiscally Responsible
Organized
Communicative
Collaborative
Progressive

Ethics Every Day: Making Ethical Values a Good Habit





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City Goals and Priorities 2011-2013

The City Council priority is to focus on successful completion of existing City projects, postpone new City projects and proposals, and operate within Counciladopted budget principles and priorities, with the goal of guiding the City successfully to economic recovery. (The complete Council Principles and Priorities 2011-2013 can be found on the City website.

Visit santaclaraca.gov and search for "Council Goals.")

City Mission Statement

The mission of the City of Santa Clara is to promote a living and working environment that allows for the best quality of life by serving the community with resourceful, efficient, progressive and professional leadership.

- Adopted by Council action, July 25, 1989 -



ADA Advisory Committee joint meeting

The City of Santa Clara Americans with Act (ADA) Advisory Committee will hold its joint meeting with the City Staff ADA Compliance Committee on Mon., June 11, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Mission Library Family Reading Center, 1098 Lexington St.

The ADA Advisory Committee is composed of representatives from the community, both individuals and organizations such as Hearing Loss Association of America and the Adult Independence Development Center. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meetings and participate in the various accessibility issues discussed.

For further information contact the Engineering Department at 408-615-3000.

Serve on Commission to contribute to quality of life

Residents who would like to personally contribute to the quality of life in the City of Santa Clara are encouraged to apply to serve on any of the City's Board or Commissions. Residents may place their names on a list to be contacted whenever an opening occurs. To be placed on the database maintained by the City Clerk's Office, call 408-615-2220 or email clerk@santaclaraca.gov.

Commissions include the Board of Library Trustees, Civil Service Commission, Cultural Advisory Commission, Historical & Landmarks Commission, International Exchange Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, Senior Advisory Commission and Youth Commission. There is also a Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee, ADA Advisory Committee, Bicycle Advisory Committee and other committee opportunities to serve.

The City of Santa Clara currently has vacancies on five Commissions: Civil Service Commission (1 vacancy), Cultural Advisory Commission (1 vacancy), Parks & Recreation Commission (2 vacancies), Planning Commission (2 vacancies), and the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee (1 vacancy).

The deadlines to receive applications for each commission, interview dates and times are as follows:

Commission/ Board	Deadline to apply 5 p.m.	Interview dates & times
Civil Service Commission	July 11	July 17, 7 p.m.
Cultural Advisory Commission	August 15	August 21, 6 p.m.
Parks & Recreation Commission	July 3	July 10, 6 p.m.
Planning Commission	July 3	July 10, 7 p.m.
Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee	July 11	July 17, 6 p.m.

Interviews for Cultural Advisory Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission and Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee will occur in the City Hall reception lobby. Interviews for the Civil Service Commission and Planning Commission will occur in Council Chambers during the regular scheduled Council meeting.

The 5-member Civil Service Commission advises the City Council on matters related to Civil Service rules and regulations, and acts as a Board of Review to hear petitions by Civil Service employees and applicants. The Commission generally meets the second Monday of every other month at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers.

The 7-member Cultural Advisory Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to the purchase and placement of public art, recommendations on potential City-funding of community groups, and organizes annual events such as the Summer Concerts in the Park series, the biennial Indoor Sculpture Exhibition, Franklin Square Street Dance, and the biennial Art in the Air Banner Display on El Camino Real. The commission generally meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Staff Conference Room.

The 7-member Parks & Recreation Commission provides advice on matters regarding parks, recreation, playgrounds and entertainment. This Commission generally meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Staff Conference Room.

The 7-member Planning Commission advises the City Council on matters regarding the physical development of Santa Clara, and makes recommendations with respect to land subdivisions, zoning as prescribed by ordinance, and more. The Commission generally meets one Wednesday per month at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

The 4-member Housing Rehabilitation Loan Committee votes on projects and issues related to the Community Services Division Neighborhood Conservation and Improvement Program (NCIP), which utilized federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Act Entitlement (HOME) monies to rehabilitate homes of low to moderate income homeowners who reside within City limits. The Committee meets quarterly in the Housing & Community Services Division Conference Room.

If you are a registered or eligible voter (or in the case of the Youth Commission, a Santa Clara resident, age 12-19), and are interested in serving on any board/commissions/committees, or just want more information, contact the City Clerk's Office, 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050. You may call the Clerk's Office on weekdays at 408-615-2220, email clerk@santaclaraca.gov or visit the online website at santaclaraca.gov.

Budget (Continued from page 1)

accordance with adopted Council policy and applicable laws. By policy, the first \$3 million of unexpended, unrestricted revenues (currently estimated at \$2.8 million) in the General Fund are transferred to the Working Capital (Emergency) Reserve account at the end of the year. Amounts above \$3 million, if any, would be transferred to the Capital Projects Reserve. As of December 31, 2011, the Working Capital (Emergency) Reserve had a balance of \$4.1 million towards its target goal of \$35 million for emergencies.

In preparing the budget for FY 2012-13, the City continues to look for ways to reduce expenses and find long-term solutions to the General Fund's structural deficit. Past actions have included concessions (specifically, foregoing salary increases and agreeing to unpaid furloughs) by eight of the City's 10 bargaining units, and layoffs in represented employee groups who did not agree to concessions. In addition, the City has eliminated, frozen or held vacant more than 100 positions and reorganized systems and workloads to minimize the impact of the loss of these positions on delivery of services to the community. During negotiations with bargaining units in the coming year, the City will explore other actions such as a two-tier pension plan to help reduce the rising cost of retiree benefits.

Although the City has been aggressive in pursuing ways to balance the budget during the lingering recession that has so significantly affected revenues, its work has been made even more difficult by State actions such as the loss of motor vehicle license fees which took away about \$400,000 in revenue during 2011-12 and the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency that removed more than \$3 million from the General Fund in reimbursements for staff time, and has the potential to impact an additional \$12 million in lease revenues.

During the next year, more details about the RDA dissolution will be worked out by an Oversight Board representing the City, County, California Community Colleges, Santa Clara Valley Water District, and the County Office of Education. Potentially at risk are other RDA-related sources of revenue to the General Fund such as ground leases that bring in about \$12 million per year. These leases of City-owned land could be challenged by the State due to past RDA involvement in the properties.

In the meantime, the City is moving ahead with plans for expanding its efforts to encourage business growth in Santa Clara. All of the current FY 2011-2013 City Council adopted goals focus on enhancing economic development for the benefit of the community. In addition to Council's Economic Development Committee, the City Manager and Department Heads serve as the Economic Development Team, an award winning approach which has helped Santa Clara to foster business development. The position of Economic Development Officer is another point of contact for new businesses coming into the City and existing businesses that want to expand.

Things are also looking more positive for the Electric Utility, and also for the Water & Sewer Utility whose structural budget deficits have been reduced or eliminated through necessary rate increases that were approved and went into effect in fiscal year 2011-12. See the related article on the back cover of this newspaper. Neither of these funds is expected to need to use reserves in 2012-13 to achieve a balanced budget, and will be able to continue their work to update existing infrastructure for ongoing reliable and efficient service to the Santa Clara community.

An ongoing challenge for the General Fund departments is the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget which continues to struggle to keep up with infrastructure needs of the community. It is currently estimated the City has \$125 million in unfunded capital project needs with no dedicated source of revenue.

Adopt a pet this summer from SVACA



A summer Adopt-a-thon on Sat., Aug. 11, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. will introduce homeless cats, dogs and other animals that are ready to join a new family. The event takes place at the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority (SVACA) Animal Care Center, 3370 Thomas Rd.

SVACA has an enviable record in saving animals that come through its doors. In 2011, the center saved 83% of the animals that came

through its doors, returning lost pets to their owners, placing others with a placement partner, or adopting others into a loving home. SVACA staff wants to increase this placement number, and needs your help.

The Animal Care Center is a state-of-the-art, cageless facility that has programs that care for aggressive, sick, injured and feral animals as well as those who are lost or abandoned. Its success relies on community support including volunteers, foster parents and donors who help to cover the costs of specialized veterinary care and additional comfort for animals. To learn more about how to volunteer or make a donation, visit the website **svaca.com** or call 408-764-0344. Tax deductible donations may also be mailed to SVACA Animal Assistance Fund, 3370 Thomas Rd., Santa Clara CA 95054

SVACA is a joint powers authority that provides animal care and control services to the cities of Santa Clara, Campbell and Monte Sereno. In addition to the Animal Care Center, it handles reports of animal abuse and animal licensing and offers low cost spay and neuter services.

Begin to get ready for new telephone dialing procedure

Starting October 20, all phone calls made within the 408 area code must include 1+area code+telephone number – even if it is from one 408 number to another 408 number. The change is part of the addition of a second area code, 669, to the region as an overlay to accommodate the demand for new phone numbers that goes into effect later this year. Current 408 numbers will not change to a 669 area code.

You can begin to use the new dialing procedure now and to convert the preprogrammed phone numbers on your cell phones, fax machines, Internet dial-up numbers, voice mail services, alarm and security systems, etc. to dial all 11 digits. After October 20, calls made without the 1+area code+telephone number will not be completed and a recording will instruct you to hang up and dial again.

The 669 area code will serve customers in the same geographic region as the current 408 area code that covers most of Santa Clara County and small portions of Alameda and Santa Cruz Counties. It is expected that new telephone services that start in November, 2012 or later will most likely receive the new 669 area code.

The price of a call, coverage area, or other rates and services will not change due to the overlay. What is a local call now will remain a local call regardless of the number of digits dialed.

You can still dial just three digits to reach 9-1-1 for emergencies, as well as 2-1-1 for United Way's Information & Referral helpline, 4-1-1 for directory assistance or 5-1-1 for public transportation information.

Information about the overlay is available at

cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/Telco/generalinfo/Area+Codes/408+Area=Code.htm.

City offers loans for home repairs and improvements

Home rehabilitation loans are available to Santa Clara home owners who need financial help. The funds can be used for a variety of repairs and improvements such as re-roofing, plumbing, electrical, heating/cooling, termite damage, handicap access, foundation, weatherization or other projects to make the house more safe and livable.

The City's Neighborhood Conservation & Improvement Program has been in existence since 1976 and has helped more than 2,000 home owners improve their property and their neighborhoods.

Home owners who qualify are offered a loan at a 3% simple annual interest rate. The loan is deferred for 20 years and repaid when the house is sold or transferred. Some applicants may also receive a full or partial grant from the City, which does not have to be repaid.

For information, call the Housing and Community Services Division at 408-615-2490 or email **communityservice@santaclaraca.gov**.

City launches online resource for parents, caregivers of young children ages 0 to 6

A new online resource for Santa Clara parents of young children, from infant to 6 years, is now available on the City of Santa Clara's website at **santaclaraca.gov/0to6**. The web pages contain helpful information for both parents and child care providers, and was made possible with an Early Learning with Families LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) grant from the California State Library.

"This resource reflects the City's commitment to healthy and bright futures for all of our children in the community, and especially those crucial first years of early childhood development," said City Librarian Julie Passalacqua. "Research has shown that this period of time lays the foundation for the child's healthy growth, success in school and happiness in later life."

The site contains a long list of book recommendations, knowledgeable websites and local resources. Parents are provided with information on what they can do at home to help their youngsters love to learn, tips on nutrition and healthy eating, ideas on how to encourage play, and guidelines for choosing childcare and preschools.

Another section of the site provides childcare providers with information on best practices, activity ideas, licensing requirements and professional development and education opportunities.

The online resource is a joint project of Read Santa Clara, the Youth Services Division of the City of Santa Clara Library, and the City's Department of Information Technology.

Do not invite mosquitoes into your life

Standing water warmed by the sun is an excellent breeding ground for mosquitoes – and mosquitoes bring with them an increased risk of diseases such as the West Nile Virus.

This year, a large-scale effort is underway in Southern California to eradicate the Asian Tiger Mosquito (ATM), an



Photo by Jared Dever

invasive mosquito species and a major transmitter of Dengue fever and Chikungunya virus. The Santa Clara County Vector Control District is monitoring the situation and asking residents to report if they find ATM in Santa Clara County.

Asian Tiger Mosquito differs from other local mosquitoes: it is smaller, tends to bite during the day, and has very distinctive black and white markings, including a prominent stripe running down the back. They also breed in small containers such as cans, flasks, saucers and plant leaves holding water. The local Treehole Mosquito, which also bites during the day and is small, breeds in trees and lacks the white stripe down the back.

To reduce all types of mosquitoes and protect yourself, your family and your pets from mosquito bites, follow these guidelines:

- Eliminate all sources of standing water including flower pots, old car tires, rain gutters, buckets, garbage cans, etc.. Flip, dump, or drain and cover so that mosquitoes cannot enter.
- Ponds should have mosquito fish or commercially available products to eliminate mosquito larvae.
- Change the water in outdoor pet water bowls daily.
- Change the water in birdbaths at least once a week.
- Chlorinate and filter swimming pools and spas. Cover tightly when not in use and keep water off the cover.
- Avoid over irrigation of your lawn and look for areas of standing water that last more than a couple of days.
- Flip or dump small containers collecting water.
- Remove debris from roof gutters.
- Make sure that doors and windows have tight-fitting screens to keep out mosquitoes.
- Contact the District if you know of a potential mosquito-breeding source; and
- Report dead birds to the State of California WNV hotline at 877-WNV-BIRD or at westnile.ca.gov.

For further information or to report a source of standing water in your neighborhood, visit the website **sccvector.org** or call 408-918-4770.

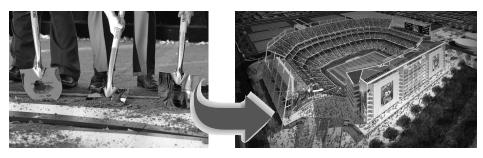
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environmental sustainability allowances. This budget also includes about \$155 million in tenant costs that will be paid directly by StadCo.

 All legal documents, leases and loan approvals were recorded on Thursday, March 29, 2012, including construction loans to the Stadium Authority in amounts sufficient to cover all of the development costs. Debt service payments on these loans will be covered by Stadium Authority revenues (from Stadium Builders Licenses, naming rights and other revenue) received during the construction period, and by long term facility rent payments from StadCo to the Stadium Authority.

For more information, visit the City website at santaclaraca.gov/49ers.

From here to here in just two years













- City of Santa Clara landowner receiving fair market rent
- SCSA/Santa Clara Stadium Authority builder and owner of facility
- 49ers SC Stadium Company LLC (StadCo) leases facility from Stadium Authority for football season, with rent sized to cover Stadium Authority debt plus rent owed to City
- HNTB Stadium designer
- Turner/Devcon Joint Venture general contractor for Stadium
- Centerplate food, event hospitality and merchandise service
- Legends Sales and Marketing manages and sells suites, premium seats and Stadium Builders Licenses (SBLs)

Fast Facts about the Stadium

- 68,500 seats
- Expandable to 75,000 seats for special events like the Super Bowl
- WiFi and mobile connectivity throughout
- 13,000 square feet of high definition video boards
- Green and locally produced materials where possible, plus green roof and solar panels
- First LEED Certified Stadium

FAQ

Q: When will construction begin?

Site preparation work was initiated by the Stadium Authority this spring and the official groundbreaking ceremony was April 19. Construction is underway by Turner Devcon.

Q: When will the Stadium open?

The goal is to have the Stadium ready for the 2014 football season. Contractors have financial incentives to achieve this objective, and fines if they do not meet the target.

Q: Will Santa Clara residents get any discounts when buying tickets for 49er games or other events?

No. Santa Clara residents, elected City officials and City staff have no special privileges. There is no City "suite" or "box seating" set aside for the

Q: Will the Stadium be hiring?

During peak construction, more than a thousand workers will be on the site over a two-year period. More than 100 contractors and subcontractors, most of them local, will be hired for the project by Turner/Devcon. After the Stadium opens, it is estimated that hundreds of full-time and part-time jobs will be generated to manage and operate Stadium events.

Q: How much traffic will there be on game days?

The 49ers estimate 18,865 patron cars on game days, typically Sunday afternoons. There are approximately 21,000 parking spaces located within a short walking distance. The City is building a new 1,820-space parking garage on Tasman Drive to serve the Stadium, Santa Clara Convention Center and other nearby facilities. Public transit options will include buses,

light rail, ACE trains, AMTRAK and Caltrain. Three regional freeways and as many as 13 access points are available within five miles of Santa Clara's Entertainment District.

Q: How often will the Stadium be used for football games?

The Stadium will be used 10 to 12 times a year for 49er games. The Stadium can be used throughout the year on non-game days for concerts and special events.

Q: Will the Oakland Raiders also move to this Stadium?

It is a decision that would be made by the 49ers, the Raiders, the NFL and the Stadium Authority. None of those entities are publicly discussing the possibility at this time.

Timeline of Stadium Project

2006 - 49ers announce Santa Clara is the first choice site for a new Stadium.

2007 - City Council adopts guiding principles to frame community discussion of the Stadium proposal and due diligence action items. Council meetings during the year include presentation of an economic study conducted by the 49ers about the potential benefits of a Stadium, confirmation of the potential positive financial impacts by City financial consultants, the launch of an in-depth feasibility study, and reports on financing options and public safety issues.

2008 - After review of a detailed feasibility study, the City enters into non-binding negotiations with the 49ers and begins preparation of an Environmental Impact Report. A term sheet identifies all of the major tasks that need to be accomplished for the City to move forward with negotiations.

2009 - A detailed Term Sheet is completed outlining the Stadium deal structure and defining commitments of all parties involved. It addresses major issues including the public/private partnership, governance, financing, construction cost responsibilities, operations budget, Stadium revenue, ground rent payments to the City's General Fund, and other key issues.

2010 - Voters give majority support to the Stadium project in Measure J. The Community Facilities District, comprised of eight hotel properties close to the Stadium site, is established.

2011 - The Stadium Authority is created to separate the City from the liabilities and responsibilities of construction, ownership and operation of the Stadium. Centerplate, one of the nation's leading food and beverage operators, is selected to provide comprehensive services at the new Stadium. HNTB, the Stadium architect chosen by the team, unveils its updated Stadium design. The Santa Clara Stadium Authority approves an \$850 million construction loan for the project and site preparation work begins.

2012 - Site preparation work is completed including moving utilities out from under the Stadium footprint. Official groundbreaking held by 49ers on April 19. Stadium construction begins.

2014 - First 49er football game to be played in the new Stadium.

About the Stadium Authority

The Stadium Authority is a separate legal entity from the City of Santa Clara, created on Feb. 15, 2011 under the Government Code. It is the Stadium Authority, not the City, that is taking on the debt for construction of the Stadium. This protects the City's General Fund and Utility Funds from having liability for any debts or obligations for the Stadium project. The Mayor and City Council serve as the Board of the Stadium Authority. The City Manager serves as the Executive Director.

The construction loans will be paid by the Stadium Authority from a variety of revenue sources including Stadium Builders Licenses (SBLs), naming rights for the Stadium, facility rental fees, ticket surcharges and 50% of revenues generated by non-NFL events held at the Stadium.

The Stadium Authority will also have access to \$35 million of revenue for Stadium construction generated by bonds issued by the Community Facilities District, a special district formed in May of 2010 that includes eight hotel properties located close to the Stadium site. When the Stadium opens, guests staying at these hotels will pay an additional tax on their room charges and those revenues will be used to pay back the bond debt.

The 49ers will pay rent to the Stadium Authority that when added to Stadium Authority revenues, will be sized to cover all Stadium operating costs, long term Stadium debt, as well as the rent that the Stadium Authority owes the City for the use of the land.

If there are any cost overruns on the Stadium construction project in excess of the final approved budget, neither the Stadium Authority nor the City will be responsible. Those costs will be the responsibility of StadCo, a separate entity affiliated with the 49ers that will operate the Stadium during the six-month NFL season.



Discount electric rates for low income customers

Low income customers of Silicon Valley Power (SVP), the City's municipal Electric Utility, may qualify for a 25 percent discount on the electric portion of their utility bill.

Guidelines to qualify for the Financial Rate Assistance Program can be found on the website siliconvalleypower.com/assist. Customers can also call 408-244-SAVE (7283) for information.

SVP also offers low income customers the opportunity to exchange standard incandescent strands of holiday lights for new energy-efficient LED light strings that can last up to 10 times longer than the old bulbs. LEDs are also cooler and less of a fire hazard. This offer takes place annually in late November and December.

Cool cash for a cooler home

Summer heat is on its way, but homeowners can keep cool and lower their electricity bills by taking advantage of rebates from Silicon Valley Power, the City's Electric Utility.

Replacing an existing room air condition with an Energy Star-qualified room air conditioner can qualify for a \$50 rebate. To receive the rebate, the old room air conditioner must be functioning properly and be recycled through Jaco Environmental. Call Jaco at 1-877-577-0510 to schedule a pick up.

Installing a whole house fan, which removes hot air from your home in the evening, can qualify for a \$200 rebate. Whole house fans can make a big difference in homes without air conditioning and reduce the need to run air conditioning as frequently if you have it.

Solar-powered attic fans are another way to cool your home and save money on your summer cooling bill by purging the super-hot air in your attic, and the cost can be offset by a \$100 rebate.

Ceiling fans are traditional and efficient ways to stay cool, with improved motors and blade designs giving them 50% more efficiency than conventional fans. A \$35 rebate is available for each Energy Star ceiling fan installed.

For information on how to apply for rebates, go to **siliconvalleypower.com/rebates**. Apply online or download a copy of the Rebate Application, fill it out, fax or mail it in with a copy of your receipt, and postmark it no later than 60 days after purchase.

Santa Clara Green Power Product Content Label

SANTA CLARA GREEN POWER PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL

Santa Clara Green Power is a voluntary renewable energy program from Silicon Valley Power that matches 100% of your estimated monthly electricity usage with wind and solar for an additional 1.5 cents per kilowatt-hour. The product is made up of the following new renewable resources averaged annually.

Green-e Energy Certified New ¹ Renewables in Santa Clara Green Power		Generation Location		
	2011	2012 (projected)	2011	2012 (projected)
Solar	5%	5%	California	California
Wind	95%	95%	Oregon and Idaho	Western U.S.
Total	100%	100%		

1. New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation on or after 1/1/97.

For comparison, the 2010 average mix of resources supplying Silicon Valley Power includes: Coal (10.9%), Natural Gas (17.7%), Large Hydroelectric (16.2%), Unspecified (30.1%), and Eligible Renewables (25.1%).

For specific information about this electricity product, please contact Silicon Valley Power at 408-244-SAVE (7283), email green@siliconvalleypower.com, or visit www.siliconvalleypower.com/green.

Energy SERTIFIED

Green-e Energy certifies that Santa Clara Green Power meets the minimum environmental and consumer protection standards

established by the non-profit Center for Resource Solutions. For more information on Green-e Energy certification requirements, call 1-888-63-GREEN or log on to www.green-e.org.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

Safe, easy disposal of household hazardous waste is available for Santa Clara residents at a drop-off event on Sat., July 28, at the City of Santa Clara Street Corporation Yard, 1700 Walsh Ave. Residents must register to attend this event (or any of the drop-off events scheduled throughout the year) by calling the County Household Hazardous Waste Program at 408-299-7300 or registering on-line at hhw.org.

Fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, paint, automotive fluids, cleaners, solvents, batteries, propane, fertilizers, pesticides, wood preservatives, Sharps containers, and other types of household hazardous wastes can be safely disposed of at any of the drop-off events.

The Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Program also accepts electronic waste at select dropoff events throughout the county. Electronic waste (or e-waste) is generally considered items that require a battery or cord to operate, such as televisions, computers, telephones, handheld video games, printers, fax machines, etc.

<u>Items NOT accepted</u> include appliances and white goods (refrigerators, dishwashers, ovens, stoves, washing machines, dryers, microwaves, etc.), ammunition, explosives, reactives, or containers larger than five gallons. Contact the Police Department at 408-615-4700 regarding disposal of prescription medication, ammunition or explosives.

Illuminate your thinking on how to shop for light bulbs



With traditional incandescent lights bulb harder and harder to find as they are phased out in favor of more energy efficient compact fluorescent (CFL) and solid-state LED lighting, consumers are often confused about how to select the right bulb to achieve the same color and brightness.

Here are three tips to help you be a savvy shopper:

Brightness: look at lumens, not watts.

Watts don't tell you anything about the brightness of a light, only about the light's energy usage. Lumens measure brightness, which is what you want to know when shopping for bulb replacements.

- To replace incandescent lights, you'll need at least 450 lumens to replace a 40-watt incandescent bulb, 800 lumens to replace a 60-watt bulb, 1100 lumens for a 75-watt bulb, and 1600 lumens if replacing a 100watt bulb.
- To replace R30/R40 incandescent floodlights, look for a lumen count that is at least 10 times the wattage of the bulb you're replacing. For example, 450 lumens for a 45-watt bulb.

Appearance: the difference in color.

The temperature in Kelvin (K) will tell you the whiteness, yellowness or blueness of a light. If you use Kelvin as your guide for light color, you'll be more accurate than looking at the manufacturer color classifications.

- 2700K: warm yellowish light
- 3000K: whiter than a 2700K light, comparable to a halogen bulb
- 3500K 4100K: cool, bright white light
- 5000K 6500K: mimics natural or daylight. These lights have a bluer tone and can be unflattering indoors.

Note the Color Rendering Index (CRI).

The CRI indicates how accurately color appears under the light. The index ranges from 0 to 100 with daytime sunlight at 100. For indoor lighting, a CRI of at least 80 is highly recommended and differences of five points are generally insignificant. Most bulbs will be in the low 80s.

Packaging of new bulbs also contains this information to help guide you in your selection.

You can find all of this information and more on the packaging of any new bulb. Rebates for the purchase of qualified LED light bulbs are available from the municipal Electric Utility, also known as Silicon Valley Power. Find the rebate application on the website

siliconvalleypower.com/rebates.

Keep storm drains free of construction waste

Disposing of concrete and cementrelated product wastes, including plaster and tile cuttings, into the storm drain system is a primary contributor to storm water pollution.

Storm drains are not connected to sanitary sewer systems or treatment plants.

Their primary purpose is to carry rainwater away from developed areas to prevent flooding. The water (and any pollutants) in these storm drains flows directly to local creeks, rivers, lakes and estuaries, which eventually go to San Francisco Bay, with no treatment. Polluted waters can have an adverse effect on fish, invertebrates and the aquatic environment.

When contractors or do-it-yourselfers aren't careful, concrete, mortar and masonry wastes can be easily washed into the City's storm drain systems and eventually into San Francisco Bay.

Following concrete delivery, it is a typical practice to rinse the excess concrete from trucks, chutes, and other equipment before the material can harden. Concrete finishing activities, such as exposed aggregate for driveways, use wash water to remove the surface of the concrete to create the desired finish. Some concrete contractors hose cement waste and construction materials into the gutter and down the storm drain. Concrete/cement wash water is highly alkaline, contains fine sediments and suspended solids that have a detrimental and toxic effect on fish and other aquatic life. Concrete rinsed to the storm drain system will solidify in curbs, gutters, drains and pipes, restrict water flow, may cause blockages and is prohibited by law.

Residents can protect water quality and prevent storm water pollution by making sure the contractor is careful with the handling and disposal of concrete during home improvement projects. The prevention of storm water pollution is a responsibility shared by everyone involved.

Make sure you deal only with reputable contractors. If you have any questions about whether a contractor is properly licensed to do the work, contact the California State Contractors License Board at 1-800-321-CSLB (2752). Inform contractors that rinsing trucks or equipment in the street or near a storm drain endangers wildlife in our creeks and the Bay – and it's illegal!

In the case where a municipality is involved with concrete/masonry cleanup, the responsible party shall be liable for the full cost of the municipality's clean-up. Costs include clean-up, as well as the removal and proper disposal of all debris and construction waste from the exterior of the work site. If you notice any unusual substance in or around your storm drain or creeks, or if you witness an illegal dumping violation in the City of Santa Clara, immediately call 9-1-1.

If you use contractors, make sure your contractor:

- 1) Establishes a cleanup area before starting work;
- 2) Minimizes use of water in cleanup;
- 3) Rinses mixers, tools, and trailers and equipment onto an isolated dirt area where rinse water won't run into the gutter, or places a wheelbarrow under the chute and/or other equipment to catch rinse water, and wheels it to a dirt area for disposal;
- 4) Rinses exposed aggregate onto a dirt area away from streets, storm drains or creeks;
- 5) Uses the preferred practice for disposing cement wash water, which is to contain the wash water on soil, preferably in a bowl-shaped area to prevent the wash water from flowing out of the washout area;
- 6) Is familiar with the practices listed, or includes them in your contract. Remember that you are responsible for your contractor's actions. Keep our creeks and the Bay clean and healthy for fish, wildlife and ourselves. By protecting the storm drains, creeks and the Bay, you are protecting the environment for your children and future generations. Questions? Call 408-615-3080.

Proper Refuse Setouts

Make solid waste collection/recycling day easy and efficient by following these simple guidelines:

- Place refuse and recyclables curbside prior to 7 a.m. of your collection day.
- Place garbage, Clean Green and recycling carts in the gutter with the wheels against the curb, at least 3 feet away from each other and from obstacles such as parked cars, landscaping, etc. Cart lids must be closed.
- After materials have been collected, return all three carts to the backyard or side yard, until next collection day. Do not leave carts in the street.
- Four-plexes, five-plexes, and six-plexes with cart service should be sure to remove carts from street after collection and return them to storage location.

Garbage: Place household garbage (non-hazardous solid waste) in your wheeled, black garbage cart. Loose materials, such as ashes, sawdust, and pet waste, should be securely wrapped or bagged to prevent them from littering your neighborhood when carts are emptied. Cart lids must be closed

Household batteries: Place batteries in a Ziploc-style plastic bag and set on top of the black garbage cart for collection.

Clean Green yard waste: Place grass clippings, weeds, leaves, hedge and shrubbery cuttings, small tree branches and tree trimmings, plant materials and flowers in your Clean Green cart. Branches must fit inside the cart (no overhanging branches). Do NOT place food or garbage, plastics, mixed paper, cardboard, pet waste, dirt, rocks, gravel, concrete, construction material, ashes, treated/painted wood, commercially purchased sod, stumps or tree trunks larger than 4 inches in your cart.

Recycling: Place recyclable materials (see list below) in your wheeled, blue recycling cart or next to cart, if appropriate. Cart lids must be closed. Check website at

recology south bay. com/residential Santa Clara Recycling. htm.

Glass: Food and beverage jars and bottles. No window or mirrored glass. Metal: Aluminum, tin and bi-metal beverage and food containers. Clean aluminum foil and pie pans (NO food residue). Metal pots and pans (NO Teflon).

Plastics (NO STYROFOAM): Food, water, soft drink, milk, juice, detergent, shampoo, and other containers marked #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7 (check for recycling symbol and number on the bottom of the container).

Plastic bags: Plastic grocery, shopping, dry cleaning, newspaper and bread bags. Place as many bags as you can into one of the plastic bags you are recycling ("bag in bag" recycling) and put in blue cart.

Papers: Newspapers, magazines, letter paper, envelopes, manila folders, junk mail, cereal boxes with liners removed, paper egg cartons, etc.

Cardboard (heavy corrugated): Break down and cut into pieces small enough to fit in blue cart, or if very large, cut into pieces 3' x 3', bundle with string or twine and set beside blue cart.

Used motor oil: Place in one-gallon (or less) plastic containers (such as old motor oil bottles or rinsed detergent, fabric softener, milk or juice jugs) with screw-top lids. Pop-top plastic containers may also be used; be sure to tape the top down securely with masking or duct tape. Label the container "waste oil" and set beside blue cart.

Used motor oil filters: Seal in Ziploc-style, leak-proof plastic bags and place on top of blue cart.

CFL's (NO fluorescent tubes; single-family homes only): Seal compact fluorescent light bulbs in Ziploc-style plastic bags and set beside blue cart. For more information, call 408-615-3080 or check the following websites: missiontrail.com/SantaClara/residential.html recologysouthbay.com/residentialSantaClaraRecycling.htm

Opportunities to recycle e-waste

Santa Clara residents have several ways to conveniently recycle e-waste, starting with the Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off on July 28 [see separate article] followed by an Environmental Day on Oct. 20 at Recology, 650 Martin Ave. For information, call 408-970-5100 or go to recologysouthbay.com/residentialSantaClaraRecycling.htm.

Other ongoing opportunities for e-waste recycling can be found on the Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste Program website hhw.org and on a database maintained by the San Jose State University Center for the Development of Recycling at recyclestuff.org. Both provide lists of businesses that accept e-waste for recycling.

Electronic or e-waste is generally defined as any item that requires a battery or electrical cord to operate, such as televisions, computers, cell phones, telephones, CD and DVD players, radios, electronic tablets, stereo equipment, VCRs, fax machines, printers, handheld video games, etc. State law requires that e-waste be recycled and has banned it from going into the landfill.

From time to time, residents may find fliers left at their homes advertising free pick-up of e-waste by companies or individuals. Please be aware that the City of Santa Clara does not collect e-waste, except during the annual Clean-Up Campaign. Companies or individuals collecting e-waste during the remainder of the year, leaving fliers on doorsteps, etc., are not sanctioned by the City of Santa Clara.

Help stop scavenging from recycle carts

It is illegal for any person except Recology employees to collect materials set out in the curbside recycling program carts.

If you see someone scavenging from the recycling carts, call 408-615-5580 (non-emergency Police dispatch) and give a description of the person scavenging from the cart, the street where the scavenging is taking place and

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It's summertime! Enjoy these great events!



Farmers Market

Every Saturday

The Downtown Santa Clara Farmers Market is in full swing every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Jackson Street between Homestead and Benton all year round. Sponsored by the Downtown Santa Clara Merchants Association and the Urban Village Farmers Market, this weekly event provides Santa Clara residents with fruits and vegetables fresh from local fields and orchards, as well as live music to enjoy while shopping. Baked goods and prepared foods are also available. Summer's bounty offers an appetizing way to get your five daily servings of fruits and veggies, including peaches, plums, apricots, melons and a wide assortment of summer berries. Give your summer a healthy start at the Farmers Market – and don't forget to bring your own bags! Questions? Call 510-745-7100.

Police Activities League

All summer

Santa Clara youngsters who would like to enjoy learning and playing a new sport are invited to participate in the summer Police Activities League (PAL) programs. A six-week bowling program begins June 9. A six-week wrestling program begins July 9 at Wilcox High School. Sessions for ages 5-11 begin at 5 p.m. and those for ages 12-17 start at 6:45 p.m. A six-week judo program begins July 12 at Cabrillo Middle School at 6:30 p.m. The annual PAL GAL &



Tony Sanchez Softball Tournament is scheduled for July 20-22, and BMX racers are invited to Race For Life on June 1 and the Bob Warnicke Scholarship Race on Aug. 5. Sign-ups for the fall soccer league that runs August through December; the first deadline is June 23. For information on any of these programs, cost, scholarships, and coaching opportunities, visit santaclarapal.org or call 408-615-4879.

45th International Swim Meet

May 31-June 3

Santa Clara Swim Club will host its 45th Annual **International Grand Prix** Swim Meet at the George F. Haines International Swim Center. This event is one of the most significant meets leading up to this year's Olympic Trials and the 2012 Olympic Games in London, England later this summer. The



International Meet consistently attracts many of the best names in swimming. Over the past 45 years, the International Meet has seen 22 World records, 333 American records, and 57 foreign national records set. This year's exciting meet will bring swimmers from Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Canada, Mexico, and China as well as 2008 American Olympians and 2012 U.S. Olympic hopefuls. Preliminaries begin daily at 9 a.m. with finals starting each evening at 5 p.m. For more information about the event and tickets, visit santaclaraswimclub.org.

"The Nerd" – A Comedy

Continuing June 1-3, 7-9

Santa Clara Players perform this two-act comedy by playwright Larry Shue that ran on Broadway for 441 performances. Set in Indiana in 1979, it tells the tale of an aspiring young architect who corresponds with a man named Rick who saved his life in Vietnam, but whom he has never met. Rick unexpectedly comes to visit and his continued



presence leads to one uproarious incident after another and a surprising ending. Performances began May 18 and are Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. at the Triton Museum Hall Pavilion, 1511 Warburton. Tickets are \$16 with senior and student discounts available. For information visit scplayers.org.

Concerts in the Park

June-August

The City of Santa Clara's Concerts in the Park series offers free performances on two Wednesday evenings and seven Sunday afternoons at Central Park Pavilion. Wednesday concerts are 6:30-8 p.m. (June 20, 27) and Sunday concerts are 2:30-4 p.m. (July 8, 15, 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19). The series is sponsored by the City's



Tom Rigney & Flambeau

Cultural Advisory Commission. For more information, call 408-615-2210.

Wed, June 20

Wed, June 27 Sun, July 8 Sun, July 15 Sun, July 22 Sun, July 29 Sun, August 5 Sun, August 12 Sun, August 19

Performer

Legally Blue Tom Rigney & Flambeau Fog City Stompers Mission College Symphony Sparkletones Cool Under Pressure Sidesaddle & Co. The 357's Daze on the Green

Music Type

Blues Cajun, Blues & Rock New Orleans Jazz Symphony Rock & Roll Classic Rock **Bluegrass** Classic/Pop Rock Classic & 80's Rock

Summer Exhibits at de Saisset

To learn more about any of the following exhibits, visit scu.edu/desaisset. There are four exhibits through July 1:

- Clunkers to MTBs: The Evolution of the Mountain Bike - Concept drawings, models, and finished products tell the story of the mountain bike. Photos, video, and ephemera illustrate the growth in MTB culture.
- Chain Reaction: Artists Consider the Bicycle - Nine artists and 15 works explore the bike from every angle imaginable, isolating abstract forms, breaking the subject into component parts,



OS 29er No 1 24" x 24' Mixed media and oil paint on wood panel by Catherine Mackay.

- calling attention to the beauty of everyday experience, or recasting the bicycle as a form of social commentary.
- Indelibly Yours: Smith Andersen Editions and the Tattoo Project A selection of prints from five artists – ten known for making tattoos and five for printmaking — explore the kinship between the process of marking on skin and the practice of drawing on a printing plate.
- Andy Warhol: Polaroids and Portraits Though he is perhaps best known as a painter and filmmaker, Andy Warhol was also an avid photographer. During the latter years of his life, Warhol regularly traveled with a camera in hand to capture candid moments in the studio, at social events, and everywhere in between. This exhibit features a selection of photographs by Warhol from the de Saisset Museum's permanent collection. These photographs were given to the museum as a gift from the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts 20th Anniversary Photographic Legacy Program.

Two exhibits open Aug.17 and run through Dec. 2:

Beyond Function: Fiber, Fabric, and Finery - This group exhibition explores the many ways fabric can be incorporated into the visual arts. Featuring works by Bay Area artists, the show includes both traditional and innovative textile works that utilize a wide range of techniques, from quilting to embroidery to hand-knitted lace.

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• Jeweled Prosthetics: Jewelry as Extension of Self - This exhibit features art jewelry by two contemporary artists who blur the boundaries between jewelry, sculpture, and performance to create pieces that go beyond the realm of traditional adornment.

The de Saisset Museum is on the campus of Santa Clara University, and open Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the academic year. Admission is free. Call 408-554-4528 for more information.

Friends of the Library Book Sales

June 16, July 21, August 18

Get great deals on thousands of books, movies and music at the Friends of the Library Book Sales this summer. The sales will be held at the Central Park Library and proceeds support Library programs and services. Each sale opens to the public at 10 a.m. and from 12 noon until 2 p.m. there is a "bag sale special" where for \$5 community members can fill a grocery bag



with their choice of books. The Friends also operates an online bookstore at **Amazon.com** with more than 1,000 titles offered for sale. Go to **lovethelibrary.org** and follow our link.

Santa Clara Vanguard

June 26

Santa Clara's award-winning drum corps, Santa Clara Vanguard and Vanguard Cadets, stars in "Pacific Procession," an evening of spectacular music performances. Also performing will be the Phantom Regiment from Illinois, the Boston Crusaders from Boston, Pacific Crest from Diamond Bar,



California, and the Blue Devils B from Concord, California. The event begins at 6 p.m. at the Santa Clara High School Stadium. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the gate. For information, visit the website scvanguard.org.

Antiques Appraisal Show & TellJuly 10

Do you have an antique or collectible that you think might be valuable? Bring them to the Harris-Lass Museum, 1889 Market St., between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. for an appraisal by an antique shop owner and an antique specialist. Only one item per person will be appraised. Tickets are \$15 per person and include a box lunch with choice of sandwich. Tickets may be ordered from: Antiques Appraisal Luncheon Coordinator, 2633 Gamblin Dr., Santa Clara, CA 95051. For more information, call Bob at 408-241-7311.

Celebrate Santa Clara!

July 13

Good friends, great music, and delicious food and beverages await you at the Celebrate Santa Clara! Street Dance, presented by the Santa Clara Chamber of Commerce & Convention-Visitors Bureau and Kaiser Permanente. The community event will take place at Franklin Square from 5:30-9:30 p.m. and features *Koruscant Weekend from Mission College* as the opening act, followed by *The Spazmatics SF* playing popular music. Food from local restaurants and nonprofit organizations will be available for purchase, as well as from the many fine restaurants in the immediate area. To learn more, visit the website santaclarachamber.org/events.

"The Drunkard" - A Melodrama

July 13-15, 20-22

Santa Clara Players perform a hilarious version of the most famous melodrama ever written. In this classic, love battles liquor for the life and soul of the upstanding hero, Edward Middleton. On



the side of love are sweet, innocent Mary and her ever-loving, ever-whining mamma, Mrs. Wilson. Plying the liquor with dastardly intent are cruel, scheming Lawyer Cribbs and his cringing crony, Stickler. In the end, of course, the hero wins out over demon rum and true love triumphs over all. A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to the Triton Museum of Art. Performances are Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. at the Triton Museum Hall Pavilion, 1511 Warburton. Tickets are \$16 with senior and student discounts available. For information visit scplayers.org.

Street Dance

August 3

The Franklin Square Street Dance, featuring the 10-piece Rock & Soul band Silicon Valley Houserockers, will be held 7 to 9:30 p.m. on Jackson Street between Homestead Road and Benton Street. Admission and parking are free. Refreshments will be available for purchase, or start the evening with an early dinner at a Franklin Square restaurant. The event is sponsored by the City's Cultural Advisory Commission. For more information, call 408-615-2210.

Annual Night Out

August 7

The 29th Annual National Night Out program will run from 6 to 8:30 p.m. in neighborhoods throughout Santa Clara. Residents are asked to lock their doors, turn on the outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police to promote neighborhoods united against crime. Neighborhood events can



be casual and informal such as a potluck or ice cream social, more elaborate activities including closing off a block for a street party. (For a street closure, a petition needs to be signed by all neighbors affected and turned into the City's Business License division at least three weeks before the event.) For more information, contact Rachel Thomas in the Community Services Unit of the Police Department at 408-615-4876 or by email at rthomas@santaclaraca.gov.

Rummage Sale

August 11

The Harris-Lass Museum lawns and parking lot at 1889 Market St. will be the venue for a "neighborhood-style" rummage sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Museum will sell overstocked, marked down, and final clearance items from the Tankhouse Gift Shop at rock bottom prices. Neighbors, Santa Clara residents, and others are invited to rent a table for \$10 per person to sell their own handicrafts or white elephant and rummage items. If interested, contact the Museum's Treasurer, Sue at 408-984-8071.

City-Wide Garage Sale

August 11

Residents throughout the City are encouraged to hold garage sales on this date. The City-Wide Garage Sale will be advertised in the July 2012 *Mission City Scenes*, on Cable Channel 15, and on the City and various other websites. Online registration of garage sales (individual, multi-family, or block)



will be accepted July 9 through noon on Fri., Aug. 10. The City-Wide Garage Sale map will include a list of addresses holding garage sales as well as a brief list of the items for sale at each address. The map will be available for downloading beginning Aug. 1, and updated regularly until noon on Aug. 10. For information, call 408-615-3080. Here are some tips for holding a successful garage sale:

<u>Register your sale online</u> – Register your individual, multi-family or block garage sale online at the City website **santaclaraca.gov/GarageSale**.

Registrations with incomplete or missing information will not be published.

<u>Gather items to sell</u> – Look in every corner of your home, garage and attic for items no longer wanted or needed which can be set out for sale.

<u>Inventory</u> – Write down the items you want to sell and their prices on a master list (helpful in case a price tag is lost).

<u>Price items</u> – Use brightly colored tags or large stickers and write clearly. <u>Post signs</u> – On private property only (no signs may be posted on utility

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or street sign poles). Use A-frame signs, mount signs on stakes in your yard, or put a sign on your car or van. Use bright colors and bold lettering when making signs.

<u>Prepare for your sale</u> – Have plenty of change and petty cash available. Display sale items attractively (furniture clean and polished; clothing on hangers or folded neatly; books and knick-knacks dusted, etc.). Use newspaper to wrap breakables, and have plenty of bags and boxes available.

Donate usable items not sold – Gently used books, CDs and DVDs can be donated to the City Library. Clothing, appliances, and furniture can go to charitable organizations.

PAL Golf Tournament

August 17

The 35th annual PAL Golf Tournament will be held at the Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club. Registration begins at 10 a.m. and a fundraiser dinner follows at the Santa Clara Hilton beginning at 6 p.m. Proceeds will purchase equipment, uniforms, insurance and the PAL scholarship fund for children in Santa Clara. For information, visit the website santaclarapal.org.

Ice Cream Social

August 29

The annual Senior Center Ice Cream Social will feature ice cream and a variety of toppings for seniors to create their favorite sundaes, plus a cake celebrating 40 years of operation of the Santa Clara Senior Center. The fun begins at 1 p.m. at 1303 Fremont St. Price is \$1 for Santa Clara seniors, \$2 for others.

Register now for summer Parks & Recreation programs



Summer programs and camps offered by the City's Parks & Recreation Department begin the week of June 10 and registration is now open.

In addition to a variety of sports, performing arts and camps for all ages, the summer schedule includes classes on fitness, arts and crafts, dance, tennis and more. Swimming lessons are available from certified instructors at pools at Warburton, Mary Gomez and Montague parks.

See the *City of Santa Clara Recreation Activities Guide* for detailed listings and registration information. It's available online at **santaclaraca.gov/ActivitiesGuide** or pick up a copy at the Community Recreation Center, Walter E. Schmidt Youth Activity Center, Teen Center, Senior Center, City Hall, Central Park Library, or Mission Library Family Reading Center.

Summer Camps

Santa Clara Parks & Recreation has a summer camp for every age and interest. Sign up now to guarantee a space! Register online or in person at the Community Recreation Center, Teen Center or Youth Activity Center. For information call 408-615-3140.

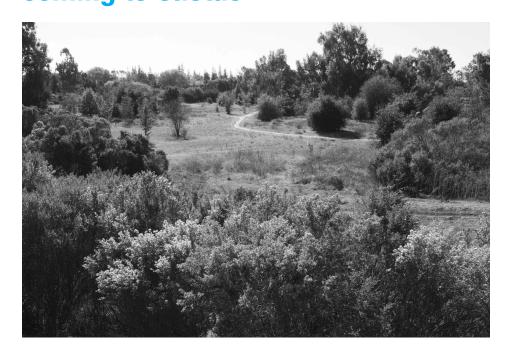
- Camp Comedia (8-15 yrs.) Commedia dell'Arte is a centuries-old form of improvised Italian theatre. Participants will act out classic comedic stories, as well as create our own, and learn about how to create a complete physical character! On the last day of camp, everyone will get to present their favorite creations to family and friends.
- ❖ Camp GLEE Club! (8-15 yrs.) Join the fun and excitement of Glee Club! Participants meet at the Mission City Center for Performing Arts



at Wilcox High School, and will learn proper vocal technique, improve their singing and have a blast as they prepare for a performance for friends and family on the last day of camp.

- ❖ C.A.T.S. Creative Artistic Theatrical Showcase (8-15 yrs.) Gulliver's Travels Participants come to daily rehearsals for acting, dancing and singing, which culminates in the production of a full-scale stage musical. Our production of Gulliver's Travels will be showcased at the Mission City Center for Performing Arts on July 24, 25 and 26.
- Cheer Camp/Cheer Camp Mini's (4-12 yrs.) If you like to cheer, tumble and dance you'll love this camp! During this five day camp, participants will learn cheer moves, jumps, stunts and so much more. Each cheerleader will receive his/her own set of pom-poms and a trophy at the end of the week!
- ❖ F.A.C.E. Camp (7-13 yrs.) Fine Arts Camp Extraordinaire is designed to bring out each camper's creative expression through art, dance, and drama. In addition, kids will enjoy recreational games, weekly field trips, and swimming. At Sutter School, campers prepare for an annual End of the Summer Show.
- ❖ Frozen Fun Day Camp (6-12 yrs.) Stay cool this summer at the Ice Center of Cupertino. Each day kids will take part in a 30 minute lesson, painting on the ice, games, movie time and free skate time. All registration must be received seven days prior to first day of each camp.
- ❖ Little Explorers (4-6 yrs.) Offered at Lick Mill Park, campers have the opportunity to learn and socialize, within a safe and caring environment. This program is recreation-based with a variety of activities to reinforce learning based on weekly themes.
- Princess Ballet Camp/Princess Ballet Camp Mini's (3-8 yrs.) Learn to dance like a Princess! Dress in your prettiest dance clothes, wear your beautiful smile and bring your ballet slippers! We'll be learning basic ballet technique and dancing around to Princess Disney & Barbie music. Each day a different princess craft will be made and used for the dance that day. Come join the fun!
- RJJT Dance and Drama Camp (8-13 yrs.) Carnival of the Animals In this production, performers will use dance, narration and pantomime acting to bring to life a magical suite of movements by the French Romantic composer Camille Saint-Saëns.
- Rock Climbing Camp, Indoor (5-13 yrs.) Planet Granite offers a week long camp as an introduction to the sport of rock climbing. Classes are designed so participants climb with children of their own age. Kids will explore all of the climbing features of the gym including bouldering walls, high roped walls, and more!
- Sports Camp (5-13 yrs.) Fun-filled summer days consist of sports, weekly field trips, and excursions to Warburton and the International Swim Center. Sport Adventure (5-7 yrs.), Sports Jam (8-10 yrs.), and Sport Escape (11-13 yrs.) camps are held at the Youth Activity Center.
- Summer Gymnastics Camp (6-14 yrs.) This summer camp incorporates gymnastics into fun and exciting, indoor and outdoor activities at Earl Carmichael Park.
- Tech Camp (8-18 yrs.) Participants will learn how to set-up and operate sound, lighting and fly systems, use scene shop tools and work with special theatrical painting techniques. You will also help build and paint the sets for our Summer 2012 production of Gulliver's Travels.
- ❖ Teen Breakaway (11-15 yrs.) Breakaway camp meets at the Teen Center where they embark on daily field trips. Discovery Kingdom, Moonlight Lanes, San Francisco Pier 39, and Water World, USA are just a few of the many trips planned for this summer.
- Tiny Timbers / Day Camp (5-10 yrs.) Offered at Maywood Park, campers will experience outrageous recreational games, crazy songs, creative arts and crafts, and exhilarating field trips. Kids will also enjoy a weekly end-of-camp barbecue and swimming.

More native plants, wildlife habitat coming to Ulistac



Major restoration work at Ulistac Natural Area is underway to add native plants and create a wildlife habitat, supported by a \$106,976 Environmental Enhancement Implementation Grant from the Santa Clara Valley Water District and matched by 4,220 hours of volunteer labor.

Almost five acres of the 40-acre natural area will be improved, including these specific projects:

- Restore a 280-foot-long seasonal riparian habitat
- Remove non-native plants, oleander shrubs and eucalyptus trees and replant with native plants and oaks
- Creation of a shallow creek, using recycled water, to flow along the north edge of the bird and butterfly garden

"Some folks may be concerned to see the non-native 'eucs' come down," said Dennis Dowling, head of the Wilcox High School Science Department and a devoted Ulistac volunteer. "But most of the larger eucalyptus will remain in place until the planted oaks are big enough to provide habitat for wildlife, including our resident hawks, falcons, flickers and woodpeckers. This will take decades."

Work will be performed throughout the year except during periods of heavy rain or nesting periods for native raptors. In the fall, volunteers will plant 6,200 plugs of California native grasses to continue the re-creation of an oak savannah habitat. In addition, volunteers coordinated by the Ulistac Natural Area Restoration and Education Project are at Ulistac every first Saturday and third of the month to plant, water and mulch. "We really benefit from the collaboration and support from City Parks & Recreation staff on the projects funded by the grant," said volunteer leader Chris Salander. "Without their help, many of these projects would be difficult to accomplish." For information, email ulistac@gmail.com or visit the website scu.edu/cas/esi/ulistac.

An updated brochure and map was recently printed by the City with generous underwriting from Applied Materials. Copies of it can be found at Ulistac and at City Hall.

Ulistac opened in 2001 and is designed to illustrate how the Valley looked before human settlers. Through the years, thousands and thousands of hours of volunteer time have been devoted to Ulistac's restoration of seven natural areas – grassland, coastal scrub, oak savannah, riparian woodland, sycamore woodland, oak woodland and wetlands.

It is open to the public year-round from sunrise to one half hour after sunset. There are no restroom or picnic facilities in Ulistac, but those amenities are available at Lick Mill Park across the street. The trails are ADA accessible and there are interpretive panels to provide information on the natural history of the area. For more information, call 408-615-2260.

Recycling (Continued from page 7)

the direction in which the person is heading. If a car, truck or van is being used, take down the license number, as well as the color, make and model of the vehicle.

The materials gathered by Recology help to offset the cost of the curbside recycling program for Santa Clara residents. Scavenging materials from the recycle carts is a misdemeanor offense, punishable by up to a \$1,000 fine and/or six months in jail.

Multi-family and business recycling changes

A new law passed by the California Legislature in October, 2011 (AB341) sets a new 75% diversion rate as a statewide goal and mandates that certain businesses and multi-family residential complexes with five or more units be required to recycle starting July 1.

Recology, the City's recycling provider, will deliver recycling containers to these multi-family dwellings by July 1, and a monthly recycling charge of \$2.53 per unit will be added to the utility bills of affected customers not already paying for recycling services.

Local businesses that are subject to AB 341 will be contacted by Mission Trail Waste Systems to discuss the new mandatory recycling requirement and recycling containers will be delivered by July 1. The size of containers, frequency of collection and whether there will be an additional fee will vary depending on the location of the business and its recycling volume.

The 75% diversion rate is goal and not a local mandate on cities. Santa Clara currently keeps about 65% of its solid waste stream out of the landfill through community recycling efforts.

For further information, call 408-615-3080.

Become part of Veterans Memorial



Individual personalized engraved brick pavers can still be purchased to be part of the Santa Clara Veterans Memorial, a tribute to the men and women who have served in the U.S. military. Each brick is inscribed with the name of a veteran to be honored.

The Santa Clara
Veterans Memorial is
located in Central Park,
just south of the
Community Recreation
Center on Kiely Blvd. Six
black granite pedestals
equally spaced around
the perimeter of a brick
paved oval display a color
logo of a branch of the
military service and a

military service flag. Flagpoles in the center of the oval display the American Flag, an MIA-POW flag, and the flags of the State of California and the City of Santa Clara. Events honoring Veterans are held at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day, Veterans Day and other national holidays.

For more information about the Memorial and the purchase of brick pavers, contact Jim Lee at 408-296-2512.

Improved greens, pathways and bunkers at golf course



Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club, 5155 Stars and Stripes Dr., features 18 championship holes, lighted driving range, practice putting green, seven lighted tennis courts, pro shop, shower facilities, locker room and restaurant.

Greens, pathways and bunkers have been improved. Greens are rolled several times per week to maintain firmness and smoothness. Green speeds are consistently at 9.5 to 10.0 on the Stimpmeter. Private and group golf lessons are available.

Santa Clara resident youth are encouraged to sign up for the junior golf program for ages 8-17 at the Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club. For \$60 per year, the program includes instruction twice a week, and range and golf privileges every day at selected times. Junior golf instruction is provided by Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club professionals, and PGA and LPGA pros. For qualifying golfers, the junior team is a great way to gain tournament experience, play local courses, and meet other junior players. Call 408-980-9515 for more information about all programs and facilities available at the Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club.



Library Update Library Update

Summer Reading Program is for all ages

Santa Clara City Library celebrates the kickoff of the 2012 Summer Reading Program on Sat., June 9, 1-4 p.m. at the Central Park Library. The event will include arts and crafts, relay races and entertainment.

All ages are encouraged to sign up and explore this year's themes — Dream Big: READ! for children, Own the Night for teens, and Between the Covers for the adults. Activities connected with the Summer Reading Program include story times, family and school-age programs (grades 1-6), teen movie and pizza nights, teen crafts and programs for adults. A full schedule can be found on the Library website at library.santaclaraca.gov. Special activities include:

A presentation on "The Wide World of Amateur Radio" by Eric Norris on Tue., June 12, at 7 p.m. He will describe the ham radio hobby and how it can be used for disaster relief and just plain fun.

Ellin Klor will present "Improvisational Quilt Style-Twists on Tradition" on Monday, June 18, at 6:30 p.m.

Amateur radio enthusiasts are invited to the Central Park Library on Sat., June 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the Amateur Radio Relay League Field Day. Watch "hams" hit the airwaves and try to connect with other hobbyists worldwide while learning more about shortwave radio.

An Astronomy program with Eric Norris will be presented on Monday, June 25, at 6:30 p.m.

The Roberta Jones Junior Theater Dance and Drama Camp will present "Carnival of the Animals" on Sat., June 30, at 2 p.m. for ages 3 and older. In this production, performers will use dance, narration, and pantomime to bring to life a magical suite of musical movements by French Romantic composer Camille Saint-Saens.

On Monday, July 2, there will be a movie showing at 10:30 a.m. For more information about the Summer Reading Program, contact Youth Services at 408-615-2916 for children's and teen events, and Reference at 408-615-2900 for adult events.

Chromebooks can be checked out at Library

Chromebooks, the portable personal computing devices that use Google's Chrome OS as their operating system, can be checked out for use inside the San Clara City Library at no cost.

Chromebooks do not run software or store files, but can be used for browsing the web or accessing cloud computing or web applications. Although it is limited in what it

can do compared to a laptop or notebook computer, Chromebooks are faster and simpler for online access.

Chromebooks may be checked out at the Circulation Desk for use in the Library for up to two hours, and starting July 1, for one week. A borrower's own adult or young adult (age 13 or older) Santa Clara City Library card, current and in good standing, is required for checkout. A Chromebook cannot be reserved in advance, is limited to one checkout per day per borrower, and must be returned half an hour before the Library closes.

Library cardholders qualify for free, discounted passes

Just in time for summer "staycations," Santa Clara City Library is offering an exciting new feature for Library users that provides free or discounted passes to fun places to visit in the Bay Area, including the Tech Museum, Asian Art Museum and the California Academy of Sciences.

The "Discover & Go" page on the Library's website showcases participating museums, science centers, zoos, theaters and other cultural events, and it can be searched by venue or date. Library cardholders just enter their Library card number to access online passes.

The service is funded by a grant from the Santa Clara City Library Foundation and Friends.

Historic watercolor paintings on display in Library

Three paintings that won prizes in the "Santa Clara - Past and Present" art contests that were held in Santa Clara in the 1970s are now on display in the Central Park Library. The works include:

- A painting of the Pratt-Low Preserving Company that won artist Charlotte Britton first prize in the 1972 art show. The cannery was founded in 1905 and once existed on an 18-acre site on Bellomy Street.
- A painting of the Mortimer D. French House, once located on Coffin Road that is now part of the land used for Great America. The home was built by Mortimer D. French, who came to Santa Clara in 1852. The house was sold to Thomas Mayne in 1895 and members of the Mayne family lived there until 1978. This painting is also by Charlotte Britton, which won second place recognition in the same 1972 show.
- A painting of the Landrum House on Santa Clara Street near Jackson that is on the National Register of Historical Places. Artist Jane Hofstetter received first place in the 1976 art show for the work. The house was designed by Andrew J. Landrum in 1875 and combines the popular Italianate and Gothic Revival styles found in pattern books of the day.

The paintings are part of the City's Heritage Art Collection. A donation from the Library Foundation and Friends paid for reframing and display costs.

Summer Genealogy Programs

Two free public genealogy programs will be held this summer at the Santa Clara Central Park Library, sponsored by the Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society.

"But It's My Family—Copyright Issues for the Twenty-first Century" is scheduled for June 19. Certified genealogist Cath Madden Trindle will discuss various aspects of copyright law, especially ethical issues of copying and sharing genealogical information. Her talk also will reference recommended websites on this topic.

"Valley of Heart's Delight" historical postcards will be the topic on July 17. Historian Darlene Thorne, who is on the Board of Directors of the Cupertino Historical Society, will present an illustrated talk about her extensive collection of historical postcards covering a 120-year span of Santa Clara County history. Scenes of historic landmarks, tourist attractions, and bucolic blossom valley images representing most of the cities and towns in "the Valley of Heart's Delight" will be included.

Both 90-minute programs begin at 6:15 p.m. For more information contact Local History Librarian Mary Hanel by phone at 408-615-2909 or email: mhanel@santaclaraca.gov.

School District begins solar construction project in June

Construction begins in June on solar power shade structures at seven schools and the District Office in Santa Clara Unified School District as part of the Measure H General Obligation Bond for facility improvement passed by voters in 2010. It is estimated that the solar installations will save the District about \$500,000 in the 2012-13 school year budget.



Sample structure

Measure H is specifically focused on energy generation and conservation, fire, safety and security system improvements, facility improvements for student growth and purchasing land in north San Jose to accommodate rapid housing development. One of the completed projects is the move this summer of Millikin Basics + Elementary School to its new home on the modernized and expanded Mariposa campus.

For more information on the modernization efforts in the School District, visit the website **santaclarausd.org** and select the Bond Projects tab.

SANTA CLARA SENIOR CENTER SERVICES

[All phone numbers are area code (408) unless otherwise noted.]

SERVICES AT THE SENIOR CENTER

PROVIDER / PHONE / WEBSITE

Bus and Light Rail Passes

Monthly bus and light rail pass stickers for Regional Transit Discount Card Services available to all seniors age 65+ and people with disabilities

Care Management Services

Services available by appointment: in-home assessment, connection to community resources, service coordination Services available to City of Santa Clara seniors age 60+

Health and Wellness

Services available by appointment: health education, healthcare coaching, social engagement, home visits, blood pressure and blood glucose screening Services available on drop in basis: blood pressure clinic Thursday 9:30-11:30am Services available to City of Santa Clara seniors age 50+

Health Insurance & Medicare Counseling (HICAP)

Free information & assistance on Medicare related issues; Tuesdays by appointment Services available to anyone on Medicare

Senior Resources

Information, resources, and referral to senior programs and services Services available to City of Santa Clara seniors age 50+

Legal Assistance

Free legal assistance available two Wednesdays per month, by appointment Services available to Santa Clara County seniors age 60+

Notary Service

Free service by appointment, Fridays 8-9 am Signer must be present and provide government issued identification Services available to all seniors age 50+

Dining Out

Nutritionally balanced lunch served at the Santa Clara Senior Center Monday-Friday 11:30 am. Call one day ahead for reservations, \$2.50 donation Services available to Santa Clara County seniors age 60+

Tax Assistance

Offered throughout the year to seniors age 50+

SERVICES FOR SENIORS AND OTHERS THROUGH THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Electric Utility Assistance

Electric rate assistance programs offering 25% discount on electricity, available to those meeting medical or income eligibility Assistance available for attic insulation

Free home energy audits, info on appliance rebates, and tool lending

Grab bars/Ramps/Accessibility

Grants available, based on income, for accessible modifications Services available to all City of Santa Clara residents

Home Repairs

Low interest rate loans to homeowners for repairs, roof & window replacement, insulation, and exterior house painting. Grants available for emergency home repairs Services available to all City of Santa Clara residents

Library Home Delivery

Home delivery of library materials (books, CDs, books on tape) Services available to any homebound City of Santa Clara Resident

Medication Disposal

Dispose of expired or unused prescription or over-the-counter medication Services available to all City of Santa Clara residents

SERVICES FOR SENIORS & OTHERS FROM SANTA CLARA'S COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Emergency housing

Shelter, housing, and support programs to help people rebuild their lives

Emergency shelter for women and children, crisis intervention, education Only for women age 18+ and mothers with children

Domestic Violence

Emergency shelter, counseling, support

Food

Free groceries

Free groceries, available weekly Free hot meal site listing

Frozen meal delivery

Available to homebound seniors, age 60+

Grief Counseling

Counseling, emotional support, support groups

Housing, Affordable

Assessment of housing needs, information and education, referral services, and application assistance

Housing Issues

Tenant/landlord disputes, mortgage foreclosure counseling, fair housing counseling and investigation

Transportation

Subsidized door-to-door transportation for ADA eligible people

Escorted Transportation for seniors residing in West Santa Clara County

Volunteer Services

Volunteers available for socialization, house projects, grocery shopping & more Age 59+ residing in West Santa Clara County

Valley Transportation Authority 321-2300

Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Council on Aging Silicon Valley, 615-3170 www.coasiliconvalley.com

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www.coasiliconvalley.com Santa Clara Parks & Recreation 615-3170

www.santaclaraca.gov Senior Adult Legal Assistance (SALA) 615-3170

> Volunteer 615-3170 www.santaclaraca.gov

Santa Clara Parks & Recreation & Santa Clara County 615-3174 www.santaclaraca.gov

AARP volunteer 615-3170

City Electric Utility-Silicon Valley Power www.siliconvalleypower.com

PROVIDER / PHONE / WEBSITE

City Housing & Community Services Division

615-2490

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> Santa Clara City Library 615-2904 www.santaclaraca.gov

Santa Clara Police Department 615-4700 www.santaclaraca.gov

PROVIDER / PHONE / WEBSITE **Emergency Housing Consortium** (EHC Lifebuilders)

> 539-2100 www.ehclifebuilders.org

Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence Hotline 279-2962 www.nextdoor.org

Support Network for Battered Women 800/572-2782 www.supportnetwork.org

> St. Justin's Food Pantry 243-1462 www.st-justin.org

Second Harvest Food Bank 800/984-3663

Council on Aging Silicon Valley Meals on Wheels 296-8290 800/510-2020 www.coasiliconvalley.com

Centre for Living With Dying Bill Wilson Center 243-0222 www.billwilsoncenter.org

Catholic Charities 468-0100 www.catholiccharitiesscc.org

> **Project Sentinel** 720-9888 www.housing.org

Outreach and Escort 436-2865 www.outreach1.org Heart of the Valley Services for Seniors

241-1571 www.servicesforseniors.org

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Santa Clara Senior Center • 1303 Fremont Street, Santa Clara, CA 95050 • 408/615-3170 Mon-Fri 7 a.m.-5 p.m. • Sat 9 a.m.-12 noon santaclaraca.gov • Office closes 30 minutes prior to building

Nonprofit partner agencies available to help residents

The City of Santa Clara contracts with a number of local nonprofit agencies for community services that help low income individuals and families. These agencies have been funded by either the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement program or the Santa Clara Housing Authority Affordable Housing Fund program.

Here are a few of the agencies and the services that they provide for Santa Clara:

- Project Sentinel (fair housing services, information and referral, investigation); 650-321-6291
- Project Sentinel (housing counseling services on mortgage problems); 408-720-9888
- Silicon Valley Independent Living Center (counseling and training services, independent living skills training); 408-894-9041
- Outreach (transportation services); 408-436-2865
- Live Oak Senior Day Services (senior day services); 408-971-9363
- Catholic Charities Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (monitor conditions at residential care and skilled care facilities); 408-944-0567
- Council on Aging (individual counseling for seniors on independent living needs); 408-296-8290.

A complete list of the City's community service nonprofit partners is posted on the City's website at santaclaraca.gov/nonprofitpartners, or call the Housing & Community Services Division at 408-615-2490.

New playground open

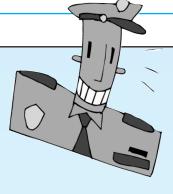


The renovated playground area at Fairway Glen Park, 2051 Calle De Primavera, adjacent to Kathryn Hughes Elementary School, is now open. It features new play areas for both young children ages 2-5 and older children age 5-12 that complement the existing open space, two tennis courts, and picnic facilities within this four acre park.

The \$75,000 renovation project, funded by developer impact fees, included removal of old 1980s metal playground equipment, grading, accessible pathway work, and installation of the new playground structures. Preparation of the site, installation of the new amenities, and the landscaping were completed by City Parks Division workers.

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CODE COMPLIANCE QUESTIONS



My neighbor's backyard is full of weeds. Are weeds a fire hazard?

While weeds are always considered nuisances, they may or may not be a fire hazard. Three main factors influence whether or not the weeds pose a fire hazard.

The first and most important factor is the dryness or moisture content of the weeds. Green, growing weeds are generally not considered a fire hazard since their moisture content would make them difficult to ignite and slow the spread of a fire. However, as the weather warms, weeds can quickly dry out increasing the fire hazard that the weeds pose.

Secondly, the size and quantity of the weeds is directly proportionate to the size and intensity of any ensuing fire. Tall dry weeds pose a greater fire hazard than shorter weeds. Cutting weeds back and removing the cut weeds is the best method for reducing the fire hazard posed by the weeds.

Weather is the third factor that directly influences the fire hazard posed by the weeds. A few days of hot dry weather can quickly dry out weeds and preheat them so that they can ignite easily. Add some wind and the intensity of the fire involving the weeds can dramatically increase.

The City Code requires that cut or uncut weeds, grass, vines and other vegetation be removed when determined by the Fire Chief to be a fire hazard. To reduce the fire hazard posed by weeds and dried vegetation, the Fire Department urges citizens to clear any dried vegetation that could pose a hazard.

For further information, call the Santa Clara Fire Department's Division of Fire Prevention at 408-615-4985.

I recently visited a local business and noticed items were stored in front of a door that appeared to be an exit. Is this legal?

Safe exiting from a building is one of the most critical elements that ensure that a building is safe for its occupants. Unfortunately, there have been instances when obstructed exits

have contributed to the tragic loss of life in fires.

Safe exiting from a building is one of the highest priorities of Fire Department personnel during fire and life safety inspections. A general rule of thumb is that if a door looks like an exit it should be maintained as an exit. The City Code requires that all exits be maintained free of obstructions. When a business requires two or more exits due to its size or occupant load (more than 49 persons) then the exits shall be designated with approved exit signs that allow for the occupants to identify the required exits.

If you observe what you believe to be an obstructed exit and since it can be serious life safety hazard, it should be mentioned to an employee of the business, preferably the manager. This will give an opportunity for the business to clear the exit way. If for some reason you are not satisfied with the response of the business then you can report your concerns to the Santa Clara Fire Department at 408-615-4970.

Enjoy fireworks from a safe distance



The Santa Clara Fire Department urges everyone to take the time to enjoy fireworks on Independence Day with your family from a safe distance, at official public fireworks displays in the region.

The Fire Department reminds everyone that the possession and use of all fireworks, including "safe and sane" fireworks that may be legal in

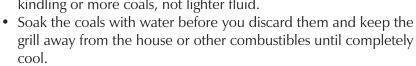
other cities, are illegal in the City of Santa Clara.

Fireworks cause more than 24,000 fires and 9,000 injuries each year. The best advice is to relax, enjoy one of the public displays from a safe distance, and always leave fireworks to the professionals.

Summer safety tips

Barbecue Safety

- Keep grills away from anything that can burn including your home, vehicles, dry vegetation and other combustibles.
- Don't leave your grill unattended. Keep children and pets away from the grill.
- Use only charcoal lighter fluid to start charcoal grills; never use gasoline.
- Once the coals have been lit, never add more lighter fluid to the fire. Flames may travel up the stream of lighter fluid resulting in serious burns. If the fire is slow, add more kindling or more coals, not lighter fluid.



- For gas grills, always store the gas cylinder outside, away from structures, and turn off valves when not in use.
- Never use any type of grill inside the home or in an enclosed area. In addition to a fire hazard, use of the grill indoors can cause carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Teach your children that matches and lighters are tools for adults, not toys. Keep them out of your child's sight and reach, preferably in a locked cabinet, so they are not accessible to them.

Fireworks

• Leave them to the professionals! Every year, fireworks used by amateurs cause thousands of injuries serious enough to require visits to the emergency room. Not only are they dangerous, they are also illegal in the City of Santa Clara. Instead, plan on enjoying fireworks from a safe distance at one of the public events.

Enjoying Your Pool...Safely

- Drowning is one of the leading causes of accidental death for American infants and children under the age of five.
- With a swimming pool, there is no substitute for adequate supervision. Do not leave children unattended, in or around the pool, even for a second.
- Do not allow anyone of any age to swim without supervision. Even experienced swimmers can drown if they bump their head, become entrapped, or have medical emergencies in the water such as seizures or blackouts.
- Make sure you have adequate adult supervision for children. Children have drowned in pools when they are surrounded by people. Do not rely on the idea that a drowning person will splash loudly or call out for help. Drowning is usually silent.
- A fence, wall, or natural/artificial barrier should completely enclose your pool or spa. All gates or doors leading from the house to the pool area should have a self-closing and self-latching mechanisms that protects against unauthorized entry and use.
- Do not place objects such as chairs or tables near the pool or spa fence that could allow a child to climb over.
- Always completely remove the pool and/or spa cover before using the pool or spa, to avoid the possibility of anyone becoming trapped and drowning under the cover.
- Keep pool and spa chemicals separate from each other, and from other chemicals. Violent reactions such as explosion, fire, or noxious gas production can occur when incompatible chemicals come in contact with each other.
- Store and use pool chemicals according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Always store them outside the home and away from any heat source or flame.

Safety on Wheels

- When you are on wheels, wear a helmet. This includes bicycles, scooters, skateboards, and skates. Other safety equipment for scooters, skateboards, and skates includes kneepads, elbow pads, wrist guards, and gloves.
- Set a "no helmet, no wheels" rule with your children. Teach your children how to be safe by being a good example and wearing safety gear yourself. You will not only enforce these good habits with your children, but you will keep yourself safe as well.



By following these guick and simple tips, we can all have a safe and fun summer. For more information about fire and life safety, contact Santa Clara Fire Department, Office of the Fire Marshal at 408-615-4970.

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SANTA CLARA ARTS & HISTORICAL CONSORTIUM

Santa Clara Museums















Pictured top to bottom, above:

- Triton Museum of Art
- de Saisset Museum
- Headen-Inman House
- Berryessa Adobe
- South Bay Historical Railroad Society Museum
- Harris-Lass Historic Museum
- Santa Clara Woman's Club Adobe

Triton Museum of Art

The Triton Museum of Art exists to enhance the quality of lives of people in Santa Clara and the Bay Area through a program of art, education, and community involvement. Rotating exhibits highlight the museum's permanent collection of 19th and 20th century American art. *Native Americans Yesterday and Today: Selections from the Austen D. Warburton Collection*, is a permanent exhibition. The museum buildings are owned by the City, but are operated by the nonprofit Triton Museum of Art. The museum is located at 1505 Warburton Ave., across the street from City Hall. The museum is open Tuesdays through Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and until 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Closed Mondays. Admission and parking are free. For further information, call 408-247-3754, or visit the Triton website at **tritonmuseum.org**.

de Saisset Museum

The de Saisset Museum is the South Bay's free museum of art and history. The museum was founded adjacent to Mission Santa Clara de Asís on the Santa Clara University campus in 1955 and is one of only three museums in the South Bay accredited by the American Association of Museums. The de Saisset presents a diverse and accessible range of exhibitions and educational programs that highlight the art and history of the San Francisco Bay Area and the local Santa Clara Valley. The Museum's collection focuses on six main areas including California history, Mission-era liturgical vestments, decorative arts, works on paper, painting and sculpture, and new media. Admission to the de Saisset Museum is free. Galleries are open Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the academic year. To confirm hours and obtain more information visit scu.edu/desaisset or call 408-554-4528.

Headen-Inman House

The charming Headen-Inman House, 1509 Warburton Ave., includes a museum with photographs and artifacts related to the history of Santa Clara. Rotating exhibits by the Santa Clara Art Association are also on display. The Santa Clara Founders and Pioneers Room has exhibits featuring the founding families and early pioneers of Santa Clara County. The house, named after the two families who once owned it, is now owned by the City, but is operated by and is the headquarters of the nonprofit Santa Clara Arts & Historical Consortium. The museum is open most Sundays, from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free. For further information, call 408-248-ARTS.

Berryessa Adobe

In the 1840s, this simple adobe dwelling was constructed about a mile west of Mission Santa Clara. The house was lived in by generations of families who immigrated to Santa Clara to labor in

the fields and factories, and to make new lives for themselves. Purchased by the City of Santa Clara in 1997 and restored in 2002, the Berryessa Adobe is one of the last adobes in the Santa Clara Valley, and is an interpretive site on the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail. It is located at 373 Jefferson Street and generally open Thursdays and Saturdays, 12 noon to 2 p.m., or by arrangement. Group tours may also be arranged. For more information, call 408-615-2488 or email: BerryessaAdobe@santaclaraca.gov.

South Bay Historical Railroad Society

The South Bay Historical Railroad Society was founded in 1985 with the goal of preserving the heritage of American railroading. SBHRS accomplished the major task of renovating the historic Santa Clara Depot, and maintains the facility and researches its history. The group also built and maintains onsite HO and N scale museumgrade model train layouts. The Santa Clara Depot, at the Santa Clara Caltrain Station, is regularly open to the public every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m., at 1005 Railroad Ave. Call 408-243-3969 for further information, or visit the website at sbhrs.org.

Harris-Lass Historic Museum

The Harris-Lass Historic Museum, located at 1889 Market St., is the last preserved farm site in the City of Santa Clara. The property, which includes a large fully furnished Italianate-style home, barn, summer kitchen and a tank house, is named for the two families who owned it and lived there for 125 years. The museum is now owned by the City, but is operated by the nonprofit Historic Preservation Society of Santa Clara, and staffed entirely by volunteers. Guided tours aid visitors in learning about local history and life in the early 1900s. Museum hours are most Saturdays and Sundays, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Parking is free. For details about visiting the museum, call 408-249-7905 or see harrislass.org.

Santa Clara Woman's Club Adobe

The Santa Clara Woman's Club Adobe, located at 3260 The Alameda, is a State-registered landmark and one of the oldest surviving adobe structures in northern California. With its origins dating to 1784, the Pena adobe was originally part of a row of houses for married Indian couples. The Santa Clara Woman's Club now uses the adobe as its club headquarters and meeting place. The Woman's Club provides encouragement and support for youth in Santa Clara, and cooperates with other organizations to aid seniors, veterans and the handicapped. Call 408-246-8000 for more information.

Other Consortium Member Groups

Los Fundadores y Amigos de Alta California, the Founders and Friends of Santa Clara County

The goals of Los Fundadores are to preserve the history and heritage of Santa Clara County and early California, to maintain a museum room in the Headen-Inman House, to provide rotating genealogical displays, and to develop research materials for the library room at the museum. The group was established in 1987 by Evalyn Martinez. It publishes a quarterly newsletter aimed at preserving the history and heritage of the founding families and early pioneers of Santa Clara County from its founding through 1889. For more information, call Evalyn Martinez at 408-926-1165.

Santa Clara Players

The Santa Clara Players is a talented local theater group that performs in the 80-seat Hall Pavilion of the Triton Museum of Art. Its season runs from October through June and includes three public productions plus one-act plays that can be performed for groups by special arrangement. Call 408-248-7993 for more information or visit **scplayers.org**.

Santa Clara Sister Cities Association

Individuals interested in promoting an appreciation for the world and its diverse cultures are invited to join the Santa Clara Sister Cities Association (SCA). Membership is open to both residents of Santa Clara and non-residents. SCA works closely with the City's International Exchange Commission which coordinates exchange programs with Santa Clara's two sistercities: Coimbra, Portugal and Izumo, Japan. The group meets four or five times during the year at the Senior Citizens Center in Santa Clara. For more information on the Santa Clara Sister Cities Association, or opportunities to host visitors, contact SCA President Debi Davis at 408-244-7551 or see the website at santaclarasistercities.org.

Santa Clara Valley Porcelain Artists

Santa Clara Valley Porcelain Artists is dedicated to studying, teaching and promoting the art of china, glass and porcelain painting. Activities include monthly meetings/luncheons, workshops/seminars, demonstrations, porcelain exchange, and community involvement. For more information, call Arline Norsworthy at 408-296-8319.

Consortium Member Groups include:

City of Santa Clara* – Agnews Historic Cemetery & Museum, and Berryessa Adobe

de Saisset Museum*

Garden City Doll Club

Goldentones*

Historic Preservation Society of Santa Clara*

KKUP Radio

Los Fundadores, Founders and Friends of Santa Clara Co.

Mission City Opera

Mission Trail Early Ford V-8 Club

Orchard Valley Fine Arts Foundation

Santa Clara Art Association*

Santa Clara City Library*
Santa Clara County Democratic Club

Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society*

Santa Clara Players

Santa Clara Sister Cities Association*

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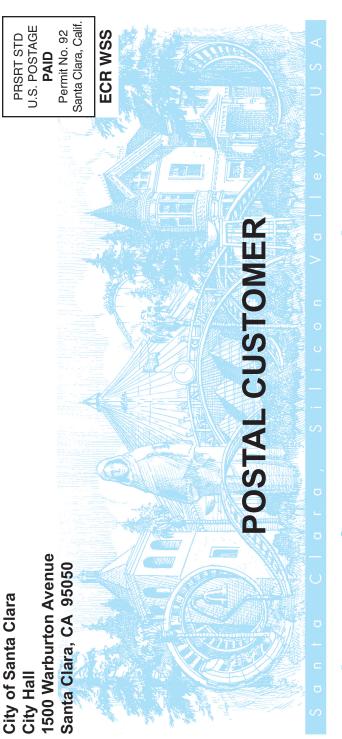
Santa Clara Woman's Club*

Soroptimist International of Santa Clara* South Bay Historical Railroad Society*

Spanish Heritage Society

Triton Museum of Art*

*Affiliate Members



Rate increases for water, sewer and solid waste disposal go into effect

Small increases for residential rates for water, sewer and solid waste disposal go into effect July 1, 2012, to cover rising costs of these services. The rate changes were approved after public hearings in May.

from \$2.99 per unit to \$3.17 per unit (one unit is equal Rates charged for water consumption will increase to 748 gallons). For the average residential customer using 12 units of water per month, the new rate will result in a \$2.16 increase in the monthly bill.

\$24.54 per month to \$29.20 per month for single family Sewer rates will increase from the current amount of households.

will increase by 4 cents per month. The monthly charges Hazardous Waste will not change. Electric rates will not service will increase by 51 cents per month, the Clean Single-family residential garbage rates for single can cents per month, and the residential recycling charge Green green waste collection charge will increase 43 for the annual Clean-Up Campaign and Household

rising cost of fuel and compliance with several new State positions, reduced personnel costs, obtained grants, and Operating costs that cannot be controlled include the The Water & Sewer Utilities have consolidated taken other steps to control costs in their control.

systems within the City are maintained so that the same The Utilities must ensure that the water and sewer high quality of service can continue to be enjoyed by current and future residents. The City has identified

borrowing funds to pay for a portion of these projects in significant sewer collection system projects that must be constructed in the next five years. In addition, the San Santa Clara jointly owns with San Jose, has begun \$1.5 share of the repairs is more than \$300 million over the next 30 years. The Sewer Utility is using reserves and Jose/Santa Clara Water Pollution Control Plant, which billion in necessary repairs. The City of Santa Clara order to minimize the needed rate increase.

The combined rates of all utilities in the City of Santa among 105 jurisdictions in all nine Bay Area counties. Clara (energy, water and sewer) remain the lowest

Great America adds new

Shows

City Holiday Closures

Independence Day - All

Wednesday, July 4,

City offices closed.

something new at There's always California's Great America theme



rough Aug. 20, the park is featuring three new shows. Happiness is Snoopy" stars world-class ice skaters and adventure. Children of all ages can delight in "The "Charlie Brown's Jungle Journey" is a new musical park, and 2012 is no exception. Now open daily Magic Hat" magic show.

September and October. For more information visit the The 100-acre park remains open on weekends in website cagreatamerica.com.

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QUARTERLY NEWSPAPER FOR CITY **NSIDE SANTA CLARA** RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES OF SANTA CLARA SUMMER 2012

officially underway in Santa Clara **49ers Stadium construction**

Great America are complete. An official groundbreaking ceremony was scrutiny and in depth negotiation, the final agreements to allow the construction of a state-of-the-art Stadium on City-owned land near After six years of studies, reports and evaluations, intense public conducted in April and construction is now underway.

New legally separate entities had to be established by both the City and The 49er proposal for the Stadium, first introduced in 2006, resulted in one of the most complex public-private partnerships undertaken by the 49ers, with financing put in place for the \$1.2 billion project from the City of Santa Clara. Many of the most difficult issues to tackle had to do with how to protect the City's General Fund and Utilities Funds from any liability for the construction and operation of the Stadium. sources outside the City coffers.

Recent milestone actions by the City of Santa Clara and the Santa Clara Stadium Authority include the following:

- Approval of a ground lease between the Stadium Authority and the NFL events, projected to contribute an additional \$155 million to the surcharge on NFL tickets that is projected to generate up to \$250,000 performance-based rent equal to 50% of the net revenues from non-Stadium and will pay the City a base rent of \$40 million over the 40-City of Santa Clara to allow the Stadium Authority to utilize the City land to construct the Stadium. The Stadium Authority will own the General Fund over the 40-year lease term. There will also be a year lease term. In addition, the Stadium Authority will pay annually for City of Santa Clara youth and senior programs.
 - six months each year for football season, and will pay facility rent to the 49ers to play games in the Stadium. StadCo will lease the Stadium for total revenues to pay all of its operating expenses and debt service, as Stadium Authority of approximately \$30 million annually. The actual rent schedule will be set so that the Stadium Authority has sufficient organization, StadCo, and the Santa Clara Stadium Authority for the Approval of a Stadium lease between the 49ers affiliate well as the rent it owes to the City under the ground lease.

usual schedule, including collection on recycling collection will occur per the Regular garbage, Clean Green and

\$1.177 billion, including \$1.049 billion in development costs, \$78 million Approval of a final development budget for the Stadium project of in financing costs, and \$50 million in additional technology and (continued on page 5)